

THE BELDING BANNER

WHAT IS GOING ON.

Friday, May 3.
7:30 p. m.—K. of P.
7:30 p. m.—F. & A. M.
Saturday, May 4.
8 p. m.—A. O. U. W.
2 p. m.—G. A. R.
2 p. m.—W. R. C.
7:30 p. m.—D. of H.
Monday, May 6.
7:30 p. m.—K. O. T. M.
Tuesday, April 30.
8 p. m.—I. O. Foresters.
7:30 p. m.—I. O. O. F.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Trilby perfume, for lovers of fine odors.
W. I. BENEDICT & CO.

GIRL BOARDERS WANTED—At Mrs. E. J. Knapp's on Pearl street.

The new thing in clocks just opened at Ricaby's.

New line side combs, back combs and fancy hair pins just received at G. W. French's.

Waist sets, belts, button sets, all at Ricaby's.

Ladies wanting dressmaking done by the day, call on or address Miss Lewin at Mark Brown's, Otisco, Mich.

Call and see the fancy buckles, studs, pins and other spring novelties at G. W. French's jewelry and music store.

See the new spring jewelry just opened at Ricaby's.

Trusses, New Stock, guaranteed fit.
W. I. BENEDICT & CO.

Cyclometers for regulating the miles run by your bicycle at Ricaby's.

Read "Up to Date," Coin's Financial School continued. This is Harvey's latest book, 25c at Wilder's.

Fine line studs for ladies' and children summer suits at G. W. French's in gold, silver, pearl, etc., at a grand discount.

All kinds of musical goods at Ricaby's.

Carpet weaving done by E. S. Custer at residence on Ann st., 3 blocks south of Union School building. 494.

If you want your eyes fitted properly try Ricaby's.

Nellie Brooks, dressmaking, corner Broas and Liberty street. Dressmaking, cutting and fitting, plain sewing. Wool dresses \$2.50 to \$4.00. Wrappers 50 to 75 cents. First class work.

Sixteen of my best cabinet photos and one number on a sixteen dollar guitar for only \$2.25.
COLBURN'S PHOTO AND MUSIC HOUSE.

See my line of wheels before you buy. I am having a big sale in them.
WILL RICABY.

New silverware for spring weddings at Will Ricaby's.

House and lot for sale on very reasonable terms on the Harroun addition. Nicely located.
BERT COLE.

Old furniture repaired and re-varnished to look as good as new at Crawford block.
C. L. COLBURN.

Campbell & Sabin having dissolved partnership by mutual consent, all accounts must be paid to Geo. B. Sabin in thirty days.
GEO. B. SABIN.

Pianos, organs, guitars at French's jewelry and music store, with prices the lowest, also fine line clocks and silverware.

HOUSE PLANTS FOR SALE.

I shall receive this week my first shipment of plants from S. Calkins, florist, South Lyon. Plants will be kept at my house on Pearl st., four blocks south of Robinson & Hudson's store.
A. HAGADORN.

IONIA COUNTY LOAN.

Ionian County Loan and Building Association, local branch of Granite State Provident Association, Belding, Mich. Assets \$1,000,000.00. Money to loan on city or village property at 6 per cent interest. No bonus or membership fee. For particulars call on the secretary Fred Smith, Geo. S. Roosevelt, attorney, or Henry A. Smith, county agent.

NOTICE.

No city hose must hereafter be taken from the hose house except by some member of the fire department. Also all parties are forbidden to turn on or use water from the city hydrants without permission from the water commissioner.
WM. T. POPE,
Chief of Department.

ROBINSON FENCE MACHINE.

Every farmer should have one for weaving wire and picket fences. The best machine ever made, weaves from 2 to 5 double strands of wire, makes the most durable fences. For sale by
MIKE KEMP, Miriam, Mich.

B. E. Rickert, of Keene, delivered to W. F. Sandell this week, 80 bushels of the Rural New Yorker No. 2, for seed purpose. He has more left. They are a choice lot of potatoes. Others wishing seed would do well to see him.
W. F. SANDELL.

Shiloh's Cure is sold on a guarantee. It cures incipient consumption. It is the best cough cure. Only one cent a dose. 25 cts., 50 cts., and \$1.00. Sold by W. I. Benedict & Co. (3)

BELDING MARKETS.

BELDING, May 2.	
Flour, 9 cwt.	1.00
" " cwt. best	1.80
Corn Meal, 9 cwt.	1.00
" " 100 lb.	1.30
Feed, 9 cwt.	1.00
" " 100 lb.	1.20
Brass, 9 ton	16.00
Middings, 9 ton	16.00
Wheat, white, per bu	1.00
" red, " "	.90
Rye, 9 bu	.50
Corn, 9 bu	.40
Oats, 9 bu	.30
Hay, 9 ton	10 @ 12.00
Apples, 9 bu	.75
Potatoes, 9 bu	.55
Beans, 9 bu	1.70
Butter, 9 lb	.15
Eggs, 9 doz	.15
Sage, 9 lb	.30
Lard, 9 lb	.9 @ 11
Chicken, dressed, 9 lb	10
Veal, 9 cwt, dressed	5.50
" " live	5.00
Beef, 9 cwt, live weight	2 @ 3.00
" " dressed	4.00
Pork, 9 cwt	5.25
Mutton, dressed	5 @ 6.00
Land Plaster, 9 ton	5.00
Calced Plaster, 9 bbl	3.30

BREVITIES

Fred Samain was in Ionia, Monday. Trout fishing season opened yesterday.

Ionian County Fair is to be held Sept. 17 to 20.

Geo. Dettlor returned from Manistee, yesterday.

Miss Maude Fales was in the city over Sunday.

N. Wallace and wife visited friends near Ionia over Sunday.

Miss C. Graham and mother were in Greenville over Sunday.

Hon. J. M. Earle was in Belding from Lansing, Saturday.

C. L. Rarden, attorney of Greenville, was in the city, Saturday.

Neighboring towns are talking up Fourth of July celebrations.

Mrs. W. H. Ricaby was in Grand Rapids a few days last week.

Dr. Elmer arrived Monday and his rooms at the Bricker are crowded with patients.

City Attorney Roosevelt has been at the county seat several days on legal business.

L. G. Burch, of Hubbardston, father of County Clerk L. Delos Burch, died Sunday evening.

Miss Myrtle Watson, of Cedar Springs, visited her sister, Mrs. H. L. Page, over Sunday.

Miss Florence Crout left for Brighton, Monday. The sickness of a relative called her away.

L. W. Holmes left for a business trip in the interests of the Lansing Pant and Overall Co., yesterday.

Byron Brown returned Monday from Charlotte where he had been a few days visiting his brothers.

Mrs. Reynolds, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. C. Booker, returned to Easton, Saturday.

Lee Stall & Son have a fine exhibit of their workmanship in horseshoes in the window of T. F. Ireland.

F. A. Washburn is having his house repainted inside and out and making other changes in the interior.

Henry Humphrey, who has been in Lansing for some time on the state's law suit against Bay county, is home.

A game of ball will be played in Greenville, Friday, between the Green- villes and Black Demons of Grand Rapids.

H. P. Whipple went to Pontiac Wednesday where he owns a fine farm. He is having a large quantity of fruit trees set out.

J. E. Watson and wife were guests at H. L. Page's over Sunday. Miss Myrtle Watson accompanied them home, Tuesday.

Dr. Smith, Will Ricaby and W. B. Reed took a spin down to Lowell and return on their wheels the fore part of the week.

Mrs. D. E. Wilson will serve lunch to the Ladies' Social Circle of the Congregational church next Wednesday, May 8.

A game of ball between the Belding Silks and Beldings will be played at the Driving Park, Saturday afternoon, two o'clock.

Belding & Weeks are having a general renovating at their place, getting ready for the summer ice cream campaign season.

Miss Brown, late of Grand Rapids, has opened dressmaking parlors in the Holmes-Robinson block and invites the ladies to call.

Roy Watkins, of the Auditor General's department, Lansing, spent Sunday and Monday with his parents, Maj. E. C. and Mrs. Watkins.

The F. B.'s give a dancing party on the second floor of the new Casket factory to-morrow, Friday, night. Proceeds for charity. Bill \$1.00.

Fred J. Cross has sold out his interest in the Lyons Herald to his brother and accepted a position on the Grand Rapids Democrat as state editor.

Mrs. H. L. Page went to Cedar Springs, yesterday, to help eat the first catch of trout at her father's, J. E. Watson, who is an expert fisherman.

Mrs. Wm. Daniels suffered a slight stroke of paralysis Sunday, while attending the funeral at Smyrna. She is confined to her bed but is improving.

A. W. Richmond left for Brown City, Monday, where he has secured an offer of a good position as foreman in charge of a force of painters and paper hangers.

Adams & Hart, 18 West Bridge st., Grand Rapids, are state agents for the Leader traction engine and separators, an adv. of which appears in another column.

E. T. Vanderkar, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who has been engaged by Hall Bros. to take charge of the department for the manufacture of stove boards, arrived Monday.

John Lulek moved down from his farm last week and is now settled in his new residence he has been making considerable improvements in and about the premises.

Fifteen Oddfellows from Silk City Lodge, Belding, went to Greenville, Friday, to attend the 76th anniversary of Oddfellowship. The event was observed there in a proper manner.

A GOOD MAN GONE.

Calvin L. Smith, a Pioneer of Otisco Passes Away. He Resided on his Farm in Smyrna Since 1843.

Calvin L. Smith died at his late residence in Smyrna Friday, aged 78 years. He was born in Washington county N. Y., in 1817 and when nineteen years old moved with his parents to Ogden, N. Y. He was one of six brothers and three sisters.

In 1843 he married Miss Phebe T. Harroun and the same year moved to Michigan, locating in Otisco at Smyrna which has been his home continuously. In 1847 his wife died and two years later, Aug. 13, 1849 he was again married to Miss Philira Northway who survives him. Two of his brothers are still living, Judge Sidney Smith of Chicago and Edward Smith of Leroy, N. Y.

Mr. Smith was highly respected by all his fellow townsmen. He possessed a keen intellect and excellent judgment in a marked degree and his advice and counsel was much sought after. What "Uncle Cal," as he was familiarly known, said was considered good authority. He was highway commissioner for three years and afterward elected to the office of justice of the peace, which he has held for 46 years, bringing him into close relationship with township officers. There has been no reversal of his judgments by the higher courts. The deceased had always enjoyed good health until a few months ago when despite medical aid he gradually failed and although his sufferings were acute, he did not complain and expressed himself as ready for the change which he knew was soon to take place. The funeral service was very largely attended at the church Sunday, Rev. D. E. Hills of Greenville delivering an able sermon from 2nd Tim. 1:10. The township officers acted as pall bearers and the old cemetery is his last resting place on earth.

PROSPECTS GOOD FOR THE NEW SHOE FACTORY.
Subscriptions to stock in the shoe factory now reaches over \$20,000 including the 20 lots which the North Park Co. propose to put in. A letter from Mr. Hollener states that he has an opportunity of purchasing machinery at a bargain and the committee are now in correspondence with him regarding it. Many who are subscribing to the stock, taking a small number of shares, are under the erroneous impression that their subscription is a donation and will not be recognized in declaring dividends. It is expected the question of securing the factory will be definitely settled by the tenth of May, and although we are not in shape to say positively at this time that the factory will be located, the prospects are certainly exceedingly favorable and we believe it will come.

MR. AND MRS. WILSON DAY.

These popular favorites will play a return date at the Opera House for three nights, commencing May 9th. They will produce on Thursday the beautiful comedy drama, "A Mountain Waltz;" Friday, Wilson Day's new comedy drama founded on the Suburban Handicap run at Sheephead Bay, "30 to 1, or Loanataka Wins;" and Saturday night a new rural comedy drama of a Vermont farmer's visit to his city relatives entitled, "New York by Day and Night." This excellent company played three nights here early in the season made a great many friends and were general favorites with the public and on their return engagement should be greeted with crowded houses. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

E. B. Lapham attended the funeral of Dr. F. G. Lee in Portland, Tuesday. Mr. Lee was one of the old and respected residents of that place, a prominent mason under whose auspices the burial took place. He married Miss Louise Morse, who survives him, in Smyrna, thirteen years ago.

Geo. P. Richardson and daughter Isabel M. Richardson, of Chicago, arrived yesterday. They were accompanied by Herbert Noyes, also of Chicago, and C. H. Keith, of New York, who are connected with the Richardson & Silk Co. Mr. Richardson expects to visit Europe soon.

The Roy & Templars of Temperance will hold their next regular meeting in A. O. U. W. hall, same place of previous meeting on Friday evening, May 3, commencing at 8 p. m. The council is still open for charter members. Grand Secretary L. D. Randall is expecting to be present to give instructions. A good attendance is desired.

A false fire alarm called out the fire company and a large crowd of people, Saturday for noon. It is supposed the wires got crossed by the action of the wind on them. The false alarms are altogether too frequent and something should be done to overcome the difficulty which is developing into a nuisance. That new system can't be put any too quick.

Friday evening about fifty of Miss Kate Carten's friends planned and carried out a surprise party on her. The young people were from Miriam and this place. The evening was pleasantly spent in dancing and playing games. Refreshments were served and the merry crowd departed at 2 o'clock, after having spent a very pleasant evening, long to be remembered by the merry crowd, and Kate as well, who acknowledged herself completely surprised for once at a feast.

NORTH SIDE NOTES.

H. Shear was in Lansing, Tuesday. Guy Atwood was home from Lansing over Sunday.

F. H. Totten and wife spent Sunday in Greenville.

John Crawford returned to Constantine, Monday.

Mrs. E. Foss has gone on a visit to Clinton county.

Chas. Eddy has a letter in his possession written 71 years ago.

Mrs. C. M. Harrington and Ida Baldwin were in Ionia, Tuesday.

Howard Wilcox has traded his house with Charles Brown for the Ed. Moffit house.

Mrs. Chas. Cribb visited her daughter, Blanche, in Portland, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Will DeGraw visited in Saranac over Sunday. Her sister returned home with her.

Claude Piefer was in Lakeview over Sunday, visiting friends. He drove up with a fine livery rig.

Orlo Morse, of Grand Rapids, made his parents a visit over Sunday and greeted his many friends.

The Belding Mfg. Co. and Hall Bros. commenced their summer time schedule, Monday—11 hours per day with Saturday afternoon off.

Several boys have thrown stones, breaking the glass out one or two of the windows in J. B. Vincent's vacant house. Mr. Vincent knows who they are and says they had better come and settle with him for the depredation.

The old Casket factory whistle which has for so many years sounded the starting and quitting time, blew a long last blast, Saturday night, registering the fact that no more business in the line of manufacturing caskets would be done there. The new quarters in the brick building will be used here after.

THE CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society convened in the M. E. church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock with an attendance of about twenty-five delegates. Mrs. V. H. Smith, the president, was in charge and the afternoon was taken up in greetings, reports of committees and reading of papers, which proved to be very interesting. In the evening Rev. Mr. Newton delivered an address. The meeting, which promises to be a successful one, will close this afternoon.

The baby reception social given at Mrs. Reed's, Tuesday night, was largely attended. Pictures of members of the society taken when they were in babyhood were exhibited and the person naming the largest number correctly took first prize. Miss Laura Driese named thirty and took first prize and Miss Belle Roberts secured one for naming the least.

Rev. B. V. Child will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church again Sunday morning and evening. At a meeting held, Monday night, in the church, by a unanimous vote of those present it was decided to extend to him a call and his services will be secured if the salary can be raised.

The Congregational Y. P. S. C. E. have secured the Aeolian Ladies Quartette of Greenville to give one of their fine concerts, the date of which will be soon announced.

Manager Hetherington has booked the Columbian Comic Opera Co. for a return engagement at the Belding opera house, May 31st. They will present the Mascot.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Myrtle Ethel Lease, of Smyrna, and Hugh Bailie, of Big Rapids, at the residence of the bride's parents, Wednesday, April 15th.

The plant of the Beach Mfg. Co., at Lyons, together with other property, was destroyed by fire on Friday last. The company manufacture wind-mills and is Lyons' principal industry.

Adam Wagner has the agency of the Michigan Home and Hospital Association, an insurance organization taking risks on sickness or accident, paying weekly benefits. He is working up a good business.

John Spriggs, the populist politician can not only expound the silver question but is quite an artist as well in oil colors. He displays one of his productions with the brush in the window of Holmes & Connell.

Judging from the large deliveries of fruit trees made here during the past week by nursery agents, we conclude that our farmers have wisely decided that fruit raising pays better in this section than general farming.

Arrangements have been completed with the K. P. boys to produce the beautiful drama, "Damon and Pythias" under the direction of Bennett Matlock, who has earned a fine reputation in his rendition of the character of Damon. The date has been fixed for May 20 and rehearsals will be given immediately.

Muir had another big fire on Saturday afternoon last, and for a time it looked as though the whole business portion of the town would be in ashes before the fire could be stopped. As it was, several buildings were burned and others considerably damaged. This is the second large fire that has occurred there in two weeks' time and as the town is entirely without protection it sets them a thinking.

T. Frank Ireland

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Class, Sash and Doors, Gas Pipe and Fittings, Pumps, Rope, and Everything found in a

First-Class Hardware Establishment

CALL AND SEE ME.

Yours Respectfully,

T. FRANK IRELAND.

TO THE LADIES:

My Special Sale for Next Week will be

DRESS GOODS.

25c Dress Goods for 20c.
35c " " 25c.
50c " " 37 1-2c.
60c " " 47 1-2c.
75c " " 60c.

All Customers purchasing a Dress Pattern will get the

Linings for Nothing.

I have the Largest Stock in Belding to Select from. Do not Miss this Sale.

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THE DELIGHT OF ALL! YOU KNOW IT!

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W. D. BALLOU,

BELDING, MICH.



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